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Applicant : Creamer, *et al.*  
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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

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MAIL STOP RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the final office action mailed May 27, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.

{WP247197;1}

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